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#### **UNCLAS BERN 4238**

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SUBJ: COORDINATED AMERICAN EXPORTER ACTIVITY

REF: COPENHAGEN 5544; BERN 3387

1. VERY PLEASED COPENHAGEN WILL PARTICIPATE; DEC. 12 GOOD DATE. MEETINGS NOW SCHEDULED BERN DEC. 4, HAMBURG

DEC. 6, BRUSSELS DEC. 8, COPENHAGEN DEC. 12.

2. RECRUITMENT WILL PROCEED AS OUTLINED BERN 3387. WE URGENTLY NEED BY SEPT. 6 SUMMARY CONSUMER GOODS MARKET (APPROX. TWO-THIRDS PAGE IN LENGTH) FROM EACH PARTICIPATING POST FOR INCLUSION IN RECRUITMENT KIT. KIT WILL CONTAIN INVITATION LETTER; THREE-PAGE SUMMARY CONSUMER GOODS MARKET IN SWITZERLAND, GERMANY, BELGIUM, AND DENMARK; GENERAL DATA ON ORGANIZATION OF MEETINGS; AND REGISTRATION FORM.

3. BASED ON EXPERIENCE OF OUR MAY MEETING, WE THINK IDEAL RATIO IMPORTERS TO EXPORTERS 2:1. ASSUMING 50 AMERICANS AND 100 SWISS AT BERN MEETING, WE PROPOSE CHARGE AMERICAN EXPORTERS \$50 EACH FOR INDIVIDUAL LUNCHEON AND PRO-RATA SHARE OF ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES

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FOR HALL RENTAL, SOUND SYSTEM, ETC. SWISS IMPORTERS WOULD BE CHARGED ONLY VARIABLE COST OF INDIVIDUAL LUNCHEON (APPROX. \$20). IT IS NOT NECESSARY THAT EACH POST CHARGE AMERICAN EXPORTERS UNIFORM \$50 FEE PER MEETING, BUT IT WOULD DESIRABLE THAT THERE NOT BE A GREAT DIVERGENCE IN CHARGES. PARTICIPATING POSTS REQUESTED TO ADVISE US BY SEPT. 6 FEE WHICH EACH WILL CHARGE

AMERICAN EXPORTERS; FIGURE NEEDED FOR REGISTRATION FORM IN RECRUITMENT KIT.

- 4. EXPORTERS WILL BE ASKED TO RETURN SINGLE REGISTRATION FORM WITH SINGLE DOLLAR CHECK PAYABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY BERN; BERN B F UNIT WILLING TO MAKE DOLLAR DISBURSEMENT TO POSTS OF FEES COLLECTED BY MID-NOVEMBER AND AGAIN IN DECEMBER AFTER MEETINGS CONCLUDED AND BALANCE OF FEES RECEIVED.
- 5. BERN WILL SEND EACH PARTICIPATING POST XEROX COPY OF EACH REGISTRATION FORM AS IT IS RECEIVED, REGARDLESS OF WHICH MEETINGS THE EXPORTER PLANS TO ATTEND. POSTS SHOULD REPLY AS APPROPRIATE WITH LETTER, HOTEL RESERVATION CONFIRMATION, AND INFORMATION PACKET.

WILL SEND YOU COPY OUR PACKET WHEN READY.

- 6. IF POSTS HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT HOTEL ROOMS BE BLOCKED OUT FOR EXPORTERS WHO WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITY ON REGISTRATION FORM TO REQUEST HOTEL RESERVATIONS.
- 7. POSTS ARE INVITED TO SEND VIA INTERNATIONAL MAIL INDIVIDUAL NAMES OR LISTS OF COMPANIES WHICH SHOULD RECEIVE INVITATIONS. AMONG OUR SOURCES IS FAIRLY COMPLETE LIST OF EXPORT MANAGEMENT FIRMS SUPPLIED BY COMMERCE EARLIER THIS YEAR. APART FROM DIRECT-MAIL CAMPAIGN FROM BERN, WE UNDERSTAND COMMERCE WILL HELP ENSURE BROAD PUBLICITY FOR MEETINGS.

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